

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 345, stanza 1 REST
**Dear Lord, Creator good and kind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.**

* THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Take My Life and Let It Be* arr. Hayes
Danny Vining, solo

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

All the children are invited to come forward for the Word for Children. Afterward, children kindergarten and younger may go to children's activities downstairs.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-10
Luke 12:32-40

SERMON Lauren Slingerland
Travel Light

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN 447 *Lead On, O King Eternal* LANCASHIRE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Iona Worship Book*

**We believe in God:
Who has created and is creating,
Who has come in Jesus,
The Word made flesh,
To reconcile and make new,
Who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church:
To celebrate God's presence,
To live with respect in creation,
To love and serve others,
To seek justice and resist evil,
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
Our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 16 in front of hymnal

THE OFFERING OF SUBSTANCE AND LIFE

OFFERTORY *If You But Trust in God* George Neumark

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Hymn 414, stanza 1 FOREST GREEN
**With gratitude and humble trust,
we bring our best to you,
not just to serve your cause,
but share your love with neighbors too.
O God you gave yourself to us,
in Jesus Christ Your Son,
help us to give ourselves each day,
until life's work is done.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God, we thank you for the blessings you give us,
your children. Use these gifts to nourish your
church and to build up the body with courage
for the journey ahead, through Jesus Christ our
Lord, Amen.**

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE
WORD INTO THE WORLD**

* HYMN 281 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE *Toccata in G* Johann Pachelbel

**Join Us For a Cool--Cool--Cool Swim Party
and Picnic on August 15, 2010 at
Louly & Sam Hay's Home, 3184 Clark Street
Swimming and Fellowship Begins
at 4:00PM - Dinner Served at 6:00PM
We will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and buns, paper
products, ice, tea, lemonade and tons of cookies!
You bring side dishes to share, a chair to relax in,
and your swimsuits.
Come and Bring Friends**

Community Food Pantry cupboards are bare of everything except peanut butter and jelly. Bring your donations of non-perishable food to church and it will be delivered to the pantry. Cash donations are also accepted. Checks may be made to FPC and noted for "Food Pantry."

WORSHIP NOTES

- * Lauren Slingerland, Billy Wade and Dan Walden are leading worship today.
- * Please stand if you are able.
- * Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of reverence as we prepare to worship God. Remember to **turn off cell phones** during the service.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

- † Ken Walker, cataract surgery, 8/19
 - † Paul DeConinck—home hospice care.
 - † Jackie Barboe—home
 - † Doug Houck's sister—home recovering from surgery
 - † Charles Ardis—home
 - † Becky Ramsey, sister of Alice Walker—radiotherapy, home
 - † Joyce Campos, chemotherapy — close friend of the Schubert Family
 - † Beatrice, friend of Danielle Schubert—hospice care
 - † Danny Vining - chemotherapy
 - † Courtney LeCroix Hoover—needs double lung transplant, Florida
 - † Jo Ellen Kimball, cousin of Charlotte Epps, awaiting lung transplant
 - † Mary Cline -Azalea Gardens, Conyers
 - † Margie Rutherford -Rockdale Health Care Center
 - † Hal Cline
 - † Gretchen Buendia - Park-wood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Snellville
 - Military:**
 - † David and Savannah Rickert
 - † Mike Laib
 - † John Rossi
 - † Renee Boston
- Congratulations to Shelby and Paul DeConinck, Jr. married yesterday.*
- We extend our sympathy and prayers for the family of Leon Hughes on the death of his brother, Joe Hughes.*
- The hospital team members who will be visiting people this week are Roger and Kathryn Wallace.*
- Covington Square**
 - † Rita Harrell
 - † Joy Knight
- Nursing Homes:**
 - † John Cannon, Merryvale
 - † Sarah Chesnut - Covington Manor

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Sunday, August 8

9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
Noon Session Meeting

Tuesday, August 10

4:00 Exercise Class

Wednesday, August 11

7:00 Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, August 12

10:30 Ambassador Choir
11:30 Prayer Group
12:00 Lunch Bunch

Friday, August 13

11:00-12:15 Early Learning Center Open House

Sunday, August 15 Rally Day

9:00 Handbell Choir
9:30 Children's Choir
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service, Communion and Baptism
Congregational Meeting
4:00 Swim Party
6:00 Picnic

Monday, August 15

9:00 Early Learning Center Classes begin

Activities in the Life of the Church

Summer Sunday School: All classes will continue to meet during the summer.

An Exercise Class is held on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. All adults are invited to participate.

Prayer Requests may be made by filling out the yellow cards in the pew racks and placing them in the offering plate or in the box on the table in the narthex. The Prayer Group meets every **Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon** in the Parlor. You are invited to join us.

The Music Program at First Presbyterian Church consists of various choral and handbell groups that contribute musical offerings to the glory of God during weekly worship services as well as other local churches and venues. If you would like to speak with someone about participating in one of the FPC musical ensembles, please contact Alan Bunn, music director at 770.891.0235 or at abunn@jackson.k12.ga.us or Alice Walker at 770.789.3651 or at awalker.organist@gmail.com.

Children's Choir Sundays. 9:30 – 10:00, Choir Room

Handbells Sundays 9:00 – 9:55, Sanctuary

Sanctuary Choir Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Choir Room, beginning Aug 11

Ambassador Choir Thursdays. 10:30 – 11:15, Choir Room

Silver Saints Lunch Bunch: Let's get together in the Fellowship Hall for lunch on Thursday, August 12, at 12 noon. Members and friends of FPC who enjoy senior discounts are invited to attend. Please bring a side dish to share. A meat course and beverages will be provided. Reservations may be made by calling Jean Elder at 770-787-7951 by Monday, August 9.

Oxford College is expecting an increased number of **international students** this year! They are starting a ministry for international students and are searching for host families. Some of the responsibilities of a host family would be:

- Possibly attending a school sponsored dinner for all students in the program
- Establishing initial contact with a phone call
- Inviting the student to their home for a meal
- Inviting the student to an event in the community

If you are interested in being a host family for an international student, contact Warren Liem. Thank you for being a part of this exciting opportunity to share the love of God with our Oxford neighbors!

To my friends at FPC,

I truly appreciate all the cards I received, for the phone calls, visits and prayers during my illness and hospital stay. Thank you! **Jackie Barboe**

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF COVINGTON

If you would like information about membership or the programs, mission, and fellowship of the church, speak to one of the pastors as you leave or call the church office at 770-786-7321

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Covington, Georgia 30014.

Reserve Your Space for the Montreat Retreat

We are now taking reservations for the **Montreat Retreat** which will be held November 5-7. Use the green forms found in the narthex or register on our website. Fill out the form and attach your deposit check to it, then turn it in to the church office as soon as possible. The **next installment (1/2 of the balance) is due by August 22**, and the final payment will be due on October 24.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Caring for Our Youngest Members in the Nursery:

Arnold Family
Loucy/Sam Hay Family

Next week:
Gregory Family
Ardis Family

Hosts:

Jerry Gunter

Ushers:

Cy & Jean Wolverton
Theodosia Wade
Leon Hughes

Sound System:
Ken Walker

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION

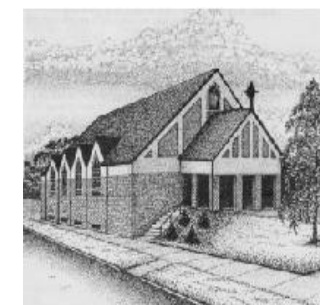
Class of 2010
Stephanie Fortson
Ruth McDaniel
Jonathan Miller
Pam Stillerman
Gene Wallace

Class of 2011
Jean Blair
Carol Dunbar
Rick Gunter
Jay Lanners
Donna Weesner

Class of 2012
Bernice Bailey
Rebecca Bates
Mac Cranford
Judy Hooten
Warren Liem

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

William B. Wade, Jr. Louly Fowler Hay	<i>Pastor</i>	Aubrey Evans & Maria Serrato <i>Nursery</i>
Dan Walden	<i>Parish Associate Director of Youth and Children's Ministry</i>	Deana Graham <i>Director of the Early Learning Center</i>
Peni Haug Alan Bunn Alice Walker	<i>Secretary-Treasurer Music Director CAGO, AAGO Organist/Ambassador Choir</i>	Lauren Slingerland <i>Seminary Intern</i> sarahlaurenslingerland@gmail.com



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Covington, Georgia

August 8, 2010

Order of Worship

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE *God Himself Is Present* WUNDERBARER KONIG
We Build a New Tomorrow Paul Karvonen
Just As I Am, Without One Plea Timothy Albrecht

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

* CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 103

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
all that is within me, bless his holy name.
**Bless the Lord, O my soul,
who satisfies you with good things and crowns you
with steadfast love and mercy.**

For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is God's steadfast love for us.
**As for mortals, their days are like grass;
they flourish like a flower of the field;
the wind passes over it, and it is gone.**
But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to
everlasting.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!

* HYMN 244 MONKLAND

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you guide us with an everlasting love, and mercies that are sure. Forgive us when we lack the courage to persevere on the journey. Lord, you call us to trust in you, drop our nets, and follow. Forgive us when we find the things of the world and the ways of the world more alluring than your steadfast promises. Forgive us, Lord. Revive our trust in you and in your power to provide every good thing we need.
(silence for personal prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

There is no place in the heavens or on earth that cannot be touched by your resurrection presence, Lord Jesus, for you fill all things. Give us strength in your victory over death to grow into your way of love. We pray in the name of our guide and promise, Jesus Christ, Amen.